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DISPATCH

TO: Chief, SR	FROM: Chief of Station, [ ]	DATE: 12 June 1959
SUBJECT: REDWOOD/AEMARSH AEMARSH/15 Operational Developments	ACTION REQUIRED: See para 3	INDEXING: INDEXING CAN BE LOGGED BY QUALITY NO DEL. ONLY
REFERENCES: OSSA-8583, 12 May 1959		

1. During the course of a two hour operational meeting with AEMARSH/15 on 8 June 1959, the following operational leads were discussed:

a. In accordance with our agreement at the previous meeting, A/15 visited Göteborg to investigate the operational possibilities offered by Swedish ships calling at Soviet Baltic ports. About 90 percent of the Swedish merchant marine traffic to this area originates in this port. While there he contacted his friend Alexander EISENBERGS, [ ] and discussed with him the problem. EISENBERGS stated that he knows of a Latvian exile seaman living in Göteborg, who has changed his name to a Swedish one, has become a Swedish citizen and possesses a Swedish passport. Twice in the past six months this man has visited Riga aboard a Swedish merchant ship, has gone ashore and walked around the streets of Riga. The man does not make regular voyages there, but he has every expectation of making trips at irregular intervals in the future. A/15 was unable to learn the man's identity or to get BI data and a personality assessment. His friend EISENBERGS will look into the matter for him and let A/15 know what he learns.

b. From a Latvian exile friend in the U.S. A/15 recently received a letter which contained information that another wartime colleague, Identity A, is back in Riga from Siberia, working as a radio engineer in the Popov Factory, which A/15 says is the second largest such one in Latvia. A/15 has had no contact with the man since the last days of the war. But his opinion of the man is that he is a sturdy, patriotic type who probably could be relied upon in clandestine work directed against the Soviet Union. A/15 recalls that Identity A's name was mentioned favorably in passing by [ ] during the Helsinki debriefing March 1959. A/15 does not have the man's specific home address in Riga, but his friend in the U.S. says that a letter for him could be sent to Identity B, who apparently is a relative or close friend. A/15 knows nothing of Identity B. *FRANK SVARES*

2. The Station believes that both leads described above are well worth following up. A/15 has been instructed to continue to collect BI and personality data on both men as best he can. In the meantime "Staben" (as Headquarters referred to by A/15) will be checking out on Identities A and B and coming up with any suggestions it might have. A/15 is certain that a letter mailed internally to Identity B for Identity A would be recognized by the latter as coming from A/15 if the signature alias is properly composed.

3. There are no Station traces on Identities A and B. Headquarters traces and comments are requested.

4. In [ ] opinion A/15 is a highly motivated, energetic, and minded person. If not kept busy on worthwhile tasks, he will probably become discouraged and quit. He has become somewhat of a loner in his three year association with KUBARK to the extent that he has not even realized the necessity for this action. He has not been very happy in the past.

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CONTINUATION OF DISPATCH	CLASSIFICATION <del>SECRET</del>	DISPATCH SYMBOL AND NO. OBSA-8692
<p>his turnover to the <input type="checkbox"/> Station whereby he has been unable to contact his case officer and has known for some time that a replacement officer would be coming. The personal relationship between agent and case officer, however, has been good. On the basis of a three month association <input type="checkbox"/> is very optimistic as to the ultimate value of A/15 to Station operations. He is a self-generating type, and it is probable that he will keep his next case officer busy with operational planning.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">e      &gt;</p> <p>10 June 1959</p> <p>Distribution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>3 - WE w/att u.s.c.</li><li>1 - SR w/att u.s.c.</li><li>2 - <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></li></ul> <p>Attachment:</p> <p>Idens A &amp; B U.S.C.</p>		
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IDENTITY A

Jakabs \*SILIS (Born circa 1905, presumably in Latvia; Soviet citizen; prior to 1940 a professional officer in the Latvian Army, in the Signal Corps; during World War II was a Captain in the Latvian Legion and fought with the Germans against the Soviet Army; served with the 15th Division of the Legion and captured by the Soviets in 1945 with remnants of the division on the Hela peninsula; deported to Siberia by the Soviets and subsequently returned to Latvia, probably since 1957; presently a radio engineer with the Popov Factory, Riga, Latvia).

IDENTITY B

Erika \*SVARCS (Soviet citizen; presumably anti-Communist; resides at Karla Marksa iela 10/12, Dz. 2, Riga, Latvia, USSR).

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